Boxborough Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Wednesday January 6, 2016 Community Center

Members present: Charlene Golden, Norm Hanover, David Koonce, Dennis Reip, Chairman, and Hoff Stuart. Member absent: David Follett

Dennis called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

Motion was made by Norm, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of December 18, 2015.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Charlene and voted unanimously to pay \$732.65 to Places Associates for consulting on 1190 Liberty Sq. Road.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by David and voted unanimously to pay \$25.84 to FedEx from the Commission's Trust Fund for services with the Ashmore deeds.

Motion was made by Norm, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously to pay \$972.00 to Town Counsel from the Commission's Trust Fund for services on the Ashmore property.

Motion was made Dennis, seconded by Charlene and voted unanimously to approve the memo to BoS requesting DPW work at Hager Meadow. Norm will fill out the request form.

Tom Garmon, Dir. Of Public Works, was present to discuss Flerra Meadows plowing and access during the winter months. He reported that he has moved the gate pole to provide a wider access path. No other changes are planned.

The Commission reviewed email from Amanda Weise at New England Wild Flower Society regarding work done at Rolling Meadows. They removed common buckthorn and honeysuckle but not glossy buckthorn. The Commission hopes volunteers can drag it to the road edge and then have the DPW chip it or possibly burn it.

NOI Hearing DEP: 113-527 Project Location: 171 Depot Rd Assessor's Map 05-052-000

Property Owner/Applicant: Robson Oliveira, BHR Development LLC

Applicant's Engineer: Seth L. Lajoie and Associates, Inc.

Lead Reviewer: Charlene Golden Present: Robson Oliveira; Seth L. Lajoie

Documents presented: NOI and associated plan

Discussion: This NOI proposes to install a replacement septic system and construct an attached garage on the north side of the existing house. The existing cesspool will be filled in with sand.

Seth has experience in soil science and is familiar with hydric soil. David Koonce believes there may be wetlands closer than indicated on the plan. There may be wetlands on both sides that are not shown as delineated. The Commission will request review and assessment by Places Associates.

The proposed garage is within 100' buffer. Robson stated that ½ of the new proposed garage is already concrete. The Commission discussed moving the proposed garage.

A site visit will take place on Saturday January 16, 2016 at 10:00 am. Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Norm and voted unanimously to continue the hearing on Jan. 20, 2016 at 8:40 pm.

RDA hearing continuation Property Owner/Applicant: Donald McPherson, Cloudland Farm. Project Location: 535 Rear Stow Road and adjacent to Fifer's Lane Assessor's Map 19-066-000. Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Hoff and unanimously voted to continue this hearing on January 20, 2016 at 8:30 pm.

ANOI Hearing continuation DEP: 113-528

Project Location: 300 Beaver Brook Road

Assessor's Map 08-004-000.

Project Description: installation and maintenance of a flow leveling device

Property Owners/Applicants: Cisco Systems

Lead Reviewer: Stuart

Applicant Present: Daryl Beardsley, Cisco Environmental Health & Safety Specialist

By email the applicant requested a further continuation to prepare the requested maintenance plan.

Motion was made by Hoff, seconded by Dennis and unanimously voted to continue the hearing Jan. 20,

2016 at 8:45 pm.

Suzy Reip was present to discuss her senior project, a proposed foot bridge on a Heath Hen Meadow Trail. She has met with Liz and Norm. Motion was made by Norm, seconded by Charlene and voted unanimously to approve the project and purchase the stringers for the project.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Charlene, and unanimously voted to adjourn at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Hoff Stuart.

Date